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United Church Board Meeting

The official board of the United Church met in the Gleichen manse on Monday evening, November 22nd, with the Rev. Mr. J. D. Pringle, presiding, the secretarial duties being in charge of Mrs. R. A. Wilson.

Representative present from Arrowwood being Mrs. S. J. Haynes, Mrs. L. H. Phillips and Messrs B. W. Ingraham and W. E. Cochrane; from Cluny, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Beatty, Mr. L. Gordon and Mr. F. Fairbairn, from Gleichen Mrs. R. W. Brown, Mrs. R. McQueen, Mrs. Wilson and Messrs M. and M. W. Bollinger and E. Taylor.

It was decided to meet quarterly in future. The use of the duplex envelopes for general use throughout the field was arranged for and it was decided to appoint a representative for the United Church "Observer" at each point on the pastoral charge.

Increased property insurance was authorized and the M. and P. fund and Pension Fund were dealt with. The feeling was expressed that the existence of the United Church was valued for funerals and special occasions but that the Board deplored the lack of regular attendance at services by many members and adherents. Can we not make a regular service time on Sunday a date with our Lord.

Gleichen History

(BY BILLY HOLT, AGE 11)

Gleichen was originally a trading post and later became the centre of the country. The first settlement in 1920 it was the only town from Red Deer River, to the east and from Medicine Hat to Calgary on the railway.

It is one of the oldest settlements in this locality being older than Calgary. At the time of the building of the railway in 1883 it was named after an Austrian named Von Gleichen. The Canadian Pacific Railway house was originally located here and later moved to Calgary.

The first business was owned by Mr. Victor Beaupre and his store contained everything from saddles to glass beads. The first hotel in Gleichen was Mrs. Mallory's boarding house which later became the Old Palace Hotel. It was moved and torn down in 1904. A new hotel called the New Palace Hotel was built in 1904. It also burned down also in 1923.

The first lumber yard was owned by Emil Griesbach who was a family man. At the old site of the building of the railway in 1883 it was named after an Austrian named Von Gleichen. The Canadian Pacific Railway house was originally located here and later moved to Calgary.

The Anglican Church built in 1883 was the first oldest church in Canada. The first pastor was Rev. Canon Stocken. He came here for the Anglican mission about the same time as Father Lacombe was teaching among the Blackfoot. One of the first Catholic missionaries was Father Doucet who lived at Cluny in the mission and was known and liked by all the people, until his death not long ago in the Blackfoot school.

The present United Church was built in 1908. The Protestant services were held in the station house. The first settlers sent their children to the little log school in Cluny. Ross lives at the present time. That house and part of Mattison's and Haskany's houses are built today and are the oldest left in Gleichen.

The present school was built in 1908. An agricultural school was built by the Dominion government and later became the Salvation Army home for aged men. At one time there was also a hospital at the west end of town.

The front part of the present Community Hall was once a fire hall and police barracks. In later years around 1925 our irrigation system was introduced. The only underground pipe system in Canada at that time and has made Gleichen the beauty spot it is today.

Statistics show that "our women of today" on this continent brought 8,000 miles of lipstick and 400,000,000 rousers compacta last year. Another fact: it is reliably reported that women lose 55 million hairpins a day.

Sen. W. L. Mackenzie King, who was in the House of Commons last night, said: "Good Heaven, sen, hasn't it been found yet? They were looking for it when I was a boy."



The wedding party of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Ingraham and W. E. Cochrane, left, Beth Lockerie and John Draine as they glided over their scripts and chatted about the show. The popular acting trio is heard often on Current Time, every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., on the CBC network, and in numerous other radio dramas such as Stage 40 and CBC Wednesday night programs.

News Items of Local Interest

A meeting was held last week regarding the opening of the skating rink for this winter. Appointments were made to have the rink looked after. As soon as the weather gets cold enough ice will be made.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Warner and son Niel, and Miss Selma Sammons and Mrs. H. Sammons have returned from an extended automobile trip through the western states and far south. They were away about seven weeks and had an enjoyable time visiting relatives they have not seen for many years.

Miss J. Kidd, R.N., of the staff of the Indian hospital was called home to Canada, back last Thursday owing to the death of her father.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Canadian Legion held a most successful sale of miscellaneous articles and the serving tea last Saturday afternoon in the Legion hall.

David McBean is having an auction sale at his farm of machinery and

reeds. Xmas is only thirty days away. Already many are perplexed about presents.

December Survey

At the present time farmers throughout Canada are receiving the annual December questionnaire concerning livestock, poultry, farm labor and acreages on their own farms. The questionnaire is being sent out by the agricultural division of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics in cooperation with the provincial departments of agriculture. The answers given by farmers to the questions on the form will provide the basis for estimating the numbers of livestock and poultry in Canada at December, 1948, together with the marketings and farm milk of livestock during the last six months. Estimates of farm labor and acreages seeded and harvested will also be obtained from the returns.

The success of the survey and the accuracy of the agricultural statistics published by the Bureau and the several provincial departments of agriculture depend on the co-operation of farmers in filling out and returning the questionnaires. A widespread response from all types of farmers throughout each province is needed to reduce the error in the statistics.

The statistics obtained from the survey are used extensively throughout the year. The Dominion Bureau of Statistics is the official source of statistical information in Canada and its figures are used by governments, farm organizations, industry to plan future operations. International organizations such as the World Food Conference and the International Organization for Agriculture depend on the Bureau to supply up-to-date figures on Canada's agricultural industry. The farmer, through his response to the questionnaires sent out by the Bureau, has a real opportunity to help form a true picture of agricultural conditions, and it is in his own interest to do so.

The survey has no connection with taxation. The farmer's individual returns are seen only by workers in the Dominion and Provincial agricultural statistical offices and the farmer is protected by law against the use of his returns. All individual forms are kept strictly confidential.

household effects on Thursday, December 2nd. The farm is located eight and a half miles north of town.

During the past week north-west mains have been laid for several blocks and much new trenches dug. For the past couple of days the mains that have been laid have been under a water test and several leaks and flaws in the pipes have been found. The water leaks are plugged the ditches will be filled in. No attempt has yet been made to connect houses with the system. It is not likely this will be done until all of the mains have been laid.

The local Board of Trade announces that the 23rd annual Old Timers' Ball will be held on Friday, December 3rd. This dance always attracts a large crowd and no doubt, weather permitting, the usual large crowd will be on hand once again. An old time orchestra is being engaged for the occasion.

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Gravelling of the new highway commenced last week and already great

work has been made. The gravel road is a splendid form of road, and a mile or so west of the Indian Road grounds. Here a large rock crusher has been set up with a drag line to feed the hungry mixer and a number of trucks haul it away as fast as the gravel is crushed. Nearby is a camp where crew lives. The amount of gravel being put on the road is just a light coating. In getting through the town the trucks have to traverse a muddy road over various streets owing to the trenches dug for the streets by the crew who are laying the new water mains.

FROM THE FILES OF THE CALL

TWENTY YEARS AGO

Alderman Geo Moss, wife and family have left for Edgemoor, Jack Moss and family are returning to Medicine Hat and will be in charge of the Distributors Ltd. warehouse here.

Dr. and Mrs. Armstrong have left Cluny for the east and will make their home at Scribner, Ont.

Mr. O. Desjardins, Gleichen leader of livestock buyers, has been named by the Old Timers' dance on December 7th.

Chris Bartsch has returned from a business trip to Montreal, Toronto, Windsor and other eastern points. Monday night Master Tom Downey fell off a step and broke his thigh.

Everyone will be pleased to learn that Master Arthur Clifford is now announced out of danger by the several doctors attending him at the Banff Sanatorium.

Tommy Paine has returned from a trip to the Peace River country and wants to buy a farm near Gleichen.

FOURTY YEARS AGO
Si has been conducting a lively political campaign the past few days and says he is quite sure that no one knows what he is doing.

Ed Urch has completed the last two of his premises and now has two new tables installed in a store. The Divine, the Cluny lumber king has been in town for the past few days and is quite sure that no one knows what he is doing.

Wedding

RUSBY-HALASY

The marriages of Maria Teresa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emory Halasy, of Westhill, Ontario, to Mr. Colin H. Rusby, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. William Henry Rusby of Gleichen took place in St. Michael and All Angels' Anglican Church, Toronto, the Rev. H. R. Howden officiating. A reception was held at the Prince George Hotel in Toronto.

The couple attended the University of Toronto. The bride took arts and Mr. Rusby is a graduate in engineering of the class '48. They will reside in Arvida, Que.

OBITUARY

FERNAND BEAUDREAU
Fernand Beaudreau, ten years old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Beaudreau, died on November 17 at the home of his parents seven miles north east of Cluny. Funeral services were held at St. Joseph's Church, Cluny, Friday morning at 10 o'clock. Interment was made in the Gleichen Roman Catholic cemetery. The funeral was in charge of G. W. Evans.

THE UNITED CHURCH

Services:
Arrowwood 11 a.m. Sunday school session during sermon period.
Cluny: Sunday school 1 p.m. Service 2 p.m.
Gleichen Sunday school 11 a.m. Service 7:30 p.m.

A. D. Pringle, Minister.
For Sunday, November 29th: Continuing series on Miracles and Parables: "Walking on the Sea."

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

Nov 28th
Sunday School 11 a.m.
Morning Prayer 12 noon.
November 29th will be the 62nd anniversary of the opening of St. Andrew's Church.
Rev. D. Ford B. A., D.D., (Edmonton)

An English Journey

By Walter Legge representing the Canadian Weekly Newspaper Association.

A short distance away is the Blood spring or Chalice Well, under the waters of which, according to legend Joseph of Arimathea hid the Holy Grail, or Chalice of the Last Supper whereupon the waters were turned into wine. It is reasonably certain to believe that the first Christian baptism in England took place here. The masonry is believed to be of Druidic origin. The spring is chalybeate and its output of 25,000 gallons a day has never failed.

Other ancient landmarks in Glastonbury include the Pilgrims Inn, built by Abbot Selwood in the 15th century with a remarkably panelled front of the Abbots Barn, a cruciform building, 93 feet long with massive walls, dating from the fourteenth century; the Abbots Kitchen, a gem of medieval architecture, and the visit to Bristol Cathedral, which is not so well known to Canadians as it should be, for it is a beautiful building with many Canadian associations.

In it are the colors of the 128 Canadian Battalion. The original colors were deposited March 11, 1917, but were later taken back to Canada and duplicates were substituted in the Cathedral.

Bristol Cathedral does not present the appearance of antiquity that many other places, but this does not detract in the least from its dignity and impressiveness. However the Elder Lady Chapel dates from about 1250, much of it to the fourteenth century and the nave and western towers are modern but designed to harmonize perfectly with the whole. The architecture includes Norman, Early English, decorated and perpendicular

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some of it being of unrivaled beauty. The Germans did their best to destroy Liverpool but without success although there are still numerous signs of the damage they accomplished. Fortunately they did not damage either of the Cathedrals for there are two, an Anglican and a Roman Catholic, both under construction. The Anglican one will be the largest in England when completed. Strange to say the architect for the Anglican Cathedral was a Canadian.

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An English Journey
 cathedral is a Roman Catholic and the architect for the R.C. cathedral is an

Anglican according to the reports. Everyone who goes to England is anxious to see some of the bomb damage. Time and workmen are fast healing the scars, so that in some cities, when open spaces are seen, one often does not know whether they

are the result of bombing, fires, or just spaces that have never been built on. In the smaller places and open country the casual observer today would see little or no signs of the late war. After a while, certain de-

pressions in the fields can be recognized as craters caused by bombs and resident of a community will readily show where any incidents occurred. Most of the larger cities still have many signs of bomb damage, although

it has been cleared up in some cities more than in others. There is a vast area of workers' homes which can be seen from the trains going from Waterloo station that in 1942 looked pretty awful, with apparently little left but the walls. Today those same houses are all repaired and inhabited, and from the train look the same as any other district of workers' houses. There are many other sections that have been repaired in the same way.

In London, one of the first places that the visitor goes to see is the area around St. Paul's Cathedral and it has changed very little since 1942. The miracle of St. Paul's is almost unmatchable, while everything around was demolished, can still be really appreciated when seen.

There is much bomb damage to be seen in Liverpool, Manchester, and other places, but Bristol still appeared to have the most striking examples of bomb damage. There may be other places with just as much devastation, such as Dover, Coventry, Hull, Portsmouth, etc., but Bristol shows more concentrated damage than any other city visited on this trip.

If anyone is interested in stories of the war, thousands of them can be collected, for although little is left of the secret list, only a small percentage of the stories have been told, in print at any rate. Next week some of these war stories will be told.

(To be continued.)

Now that the matter of a Trans-Continental rail is receiving attention at Ottawa, it is more than ever necessary to stress the completion on a national scale of our No. 1 highway and especially as some elements

in Calgary seem disposed to favor the southern route or Crown's West route. Surely the Boards of Trade of Brooks, Bassano, Gleichen, Calgary, Banff, Golden and Revelstoke should at once get together on this or they will for all time lose the principal transcontinental highway. I do not mention Stathmore because it appears obvious from the map that a new direct road should if possible be built from Gleichen to Calgary cutting out the checkerboard system of survey at present in use and saving about 12 miles between these two points.

The "on-the-square" system is already obsolete in most parts of the country and the most direct routes are being used even though it means diagonal construction and cutting across many farms of which we are already having one example immediately north-east of this town.

A. D. PRINGLE.



By D. M. MLEHAN, Assistant Director, Line Elevators Farm Service, Regina, Saskatchewan.

As You Sow
 Prairie seed growers established an enviable record this year in the production of 14 million bushels of registered and Certified seed of several crops and flax. Too often there has been a wide discrepancy between the worthwhile accomplishment of producing this seed and the equally important objective of the seedling and the sowing thereof. The problem is mainly one of distribution caused by a lack of appreciation of the seed for, and the value of, pure seed.

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Crop	Percent Clean	Percent Heavy Mixtures
Wheat	5.5	19.6
Oats	14.4	54.2
Barley	14.3	51.4
Flax	21.4	30.8*

*Based on a test of 223 samples of the 1945 crop.
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If an insect is in the ear channel, fill the ear with olive oil, when the insect will float and may be removed. Otherwise make no attempt to treat a patient with a foreign body in the ear, but take him to a doctor as soon as possible; attempts to remove the foreign body may lead to fatal consequences. If a child cannot be induced to keep the fingers from the ear, tie his hands down to prevent his pushing the foreign body further. Never syringe or probe the ear.

FOREIGN BODY IN THE NOSE

Instruct the patient to breathe through the mouth. Do not interfere with the foreign body, but take him to a doctor at once.

FOREIGN BODY IN THE STOMACH

Pins, and other small, sharp objects, may be accidentally swallowed. Give nothing by the mouth, but take patient to a doctor at once. Smooth objects such as coins or buttons need not cause alarm.

FROST BITE

Wind and constricting clothing will make the tissues freeze more readily. Moisture on the skin, and air heavily laden with moisture, will make the tissues freeze more readily, that is—the tissues will stand a much lower temperature in dry air than in moist air, before freezing takes place.

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